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### MEMORIAL OF THE SEVENTH DISTRICT DEMOCRATIC COMMITTEE

#### TO PRESIDENT CLEVELAND.

It Sets Forth the Wisdom of the Fusion Which Defeated the Republicans in Kansas in 1892.

The democratic Congressional Committee of the Big Seventh district, representing thirty-seven different counties, at its meeting in Wichita, April 7th, appointed a committee to draft a memorial to the president of the United States. The following is a report of the committee:

WICHITA, KANSAS, April 8, 1893.

To the President of the United States:

At a meeting of the democratic committee for the Seventh Congressional District of Kansas, held at Wichita on the 7th of April, 1893, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That a committee of five members of this congressional committee be appointed to draft and present to the president of the United States, in behalf of the democrats of the Seventh congressional district of Kansas, a memorial of the political situation in Kansas and endorsing Senator John Martin.

Pursuant to this resolution this committee desires to present to you this memorial on behalf of the democrats of this congressional district.

During all the time that Kansas has been a state, the democratic party has been in such a minority that, until the present year it has never been once represented in the national congress, and has but once elected a state official. The rule of the republican majority has been characterized by a bigotry, a fanaticism and intolerance, and a depth of corruption unparalleled among the states of the Union. During all periods the democracy of Kansas has maintained democratic doctrines in their purity and preserved a democratic organization undismayed by the certainty of present and future defeat.

The sins of republicanism which have worked the disintegration of that party throughout the Union, at length brought around the disruption of the organization in Kansas. The revolt against republicanism took the form of a radical schism, which in 1890 led to a new organization, separate from the democratic and republican parties, and substantially equal in numbers to the remaining portion of the republican party. The democratic party took the field as usual that year, under candidates whose character and ability gave distinction to the campaign, and with pledges of adherence to the vital doctrines of democracy. The new organization had drawn to it many democrats who had grown weary of the long, ineffectual struggle with republicanism and the democratic party in that year found itself still unable to cope with its foe.

In 1892 the democratic party of Kansas was confronted with a situation which contested its devotion to its principles and called for the utmost of political wisdom. Many of the essential doctrines of the peoples party were such as no democrat could indorse; at the same time upon at least one vital issue of that campaign, it had taken the same ground which the democratic party had selected as paramount issue of the campaign, that of "tariff reform."

The democratic party, however, did not seek or contemplate a union or compromise with the peoples party upon a platform. It found, however, that it was within its power to render a possible vital service to the democracy of the Union, in wresting the vote of the state of Kansas from the republican candidate for the presidency, and thus indirectly give the benefit of such vote to the democratic candidate. To do this it was obliged, with great reluctance, to forego the sentimental satisfaction of voting for the regularly nominated candidates of the democratic party. At the regularly assembled state convention at Topeka, the democratic party of Kansas nominated the peoples party nominees for state officers, in order to further the primary aim of taking the electoral vote of Kansas from the republican party, while the defeat of the republican party so arrogant in its long uninterrupted sway, was of itself a much desired consummation.

The result of this action was, that the republican party was for the first time defeated in Kansas. The majority of \$2,000 in 1888, the largest in the Union, was changed to a minority. The state government was given to the populists, and the balance of power in the legislature secured to the democrats. By this means, Kansas is now represented in the United States senate by a democrat, and that the most distinguished member among the democratic leaders of the state. Senator Martin has been for nearly forty years a resident of Kansas. He was for twenty years chairman of the democratic state central committee. He has on a number of occasions been a candidate for

governor and for congress, at times when the utter hopelessness of victory took from such candidacy every imputation of self-seeking. His lofty character, his personal dignity, his broad and superior capacity are conceded throughout the state; and now in the prime of his intellectual force he is prepared to render services for democratic principles second to few, if any, in the illustrious body of which he is a member. He has for his constituents the democratic party of Kansas, who are loyal to him now and as united and earnest in his support as they have been through the long years when his leadership gave cohesion and courage and strength in the face of every adverse condition.

A few democrats, bound by certain ties to the republican machine, and moved towards that organization by impulse well understood in Kansas, bolted the action of the democratic party, and took the field in the behalf of the republican ticket. Six or eight of them canvassed the state in the interest of the republican party. The cost of the halls in which they spoke, of the music, of the printing and all expenses were paid from the republican campaign fund. They professed to support the peoples party electors. If any appreciable number of them voted for these electors the returns do not show it. There were not enough of them in any particular community of the state to be noticeable. In this congressional committee of forty-six members, not a single member is in sympathy with these bolting democrats, not a county committee of the thirty-seven in this district, with one exception, is in sympathy with them. This exception is more apparent than real, as the committee is not recognized by the mass of the democrats of the county.

The democratic party of Kansas, by the course it has taken, has not abated one jot of its loyalty to democratic principles, or of its determination to preserve intact the democratic organization. The democratic convention which resolved, from motives of political strategy, to support the candidates of the peoples party for state offices and electors, adopted a platform pledging its allegiance to all the vital doctrines of democracy.

It is a part and parcel of the great democratic party, whose principles and whose triumphs are its inheritance, and it looks confidently to the national administration for countenance and support. It has no part in the present government of Kansas. It has not sought, and has not received, and does not expect any participation in the state government or patronage. The democratic party of Kansas in 1892 adopted the course which seemed to the combined wisdom of its representatives for the best interests of its cause. That course was sustained by the united action of democrats at the polls. The chapter is now closed. The party is committed by it to no policy for the future. What may be done to meet future exigencies will be decided by its duly authorized convention. Its members and supporters and not its hostile critics will speak and act in its behalf. Those who have joined its enemies and assailed its leaders and sought to thwart its purposes, will have no place in its councils, and will not dictate its policy. What that policy will be no one can yet predict, but it will be democratic. It will be directed toward strengthening the democratic organization, and advancing the democratic cause.

It may not be amiss to say, here, that the struggles between the contending parties at Topeka were due in their inception to the successful schemes of the republican party to secure control of the lower branch of the legislature, by frauds so glaring and outrageous that they called forth the open and public condemnation of republicans and republican newspapers within the state. Notable among the former was Judge Foster, republican judge of the United States district court. The efforts of the populists to recover by force the control of the legislative house which was morally and justly theirs, while made against the advice of all of the democrats in the legislature, did not in our opinion, equal in moral turpitude the unconscionable corruption whereby the republicans obtained their legal advantage.

We may further say, that the legislation of last winter, which has been most severely criticised as obnoxious to sound policy and injurious to the credit of the state known as the Greenlee mortgage law, originated with the republicans in the republican house, was recommended by a republican judiciary committee and received a large majority of the votes of the republican members of the legislature.

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GEORGE W. CLARK,  
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Committee.

SALINA will doubtless soon be a hot place for the tough negro element. The railroad boys up that way know a candidate for lads when they see him.

## NEIGHBORHOOD HAPPENINGS.

### CLAPLIN.

From the Banner.  
The Christian Endeavor society have purchased a new organ for the Christian church.

Amil Herthel acted the part of city marshal Saturday and begun the slaughter of the festive curs that are so numerous in town.

The new M. E. church bell has arrived and has been put in position. It weighs over thirteen hundred pounds and has an extremely melodious tone.

Cas. McDermet, who has been in the livery business here since the town was founded, sold out last week to W. Galloway, one of Barton county's old-timers.

Miss Ada Reif and Mr. Ferdinand Brosier, both of Odju were married in the church at that place Tuesday. May their journey through life be a peaceful and prosperous one.

A five-year-old son of Henry Oxier, of north of here, had all of the fingers taken off his right hand while playing with a feed mill Saturday last. He was brought to town where Dr. Campbell dressed the wound.

There is a mistake somewhere, for every week or two we receive a letter from a whiskey firm asking us to send in a trial order. The dealer doesn't know that we are conducting a newspaper or he would be aware that we never had so much as \$2 all at one time that we could well spare.

### ELLINWOOD.

From the Advocate.  
School will close on May 19th. Just four weeks yet.

H. F. Panning's new dwelling is receiving the plaster this week.

The new moon is what is supposed to be a wet one, and if it is, all we have to say, is, that the sooner it wets the better.

W. H. Lanterman of northwest of town has just completed a fine barn. Henry seems to be one person who is prospering.

J. E. Kirk has resigned his position as freight agent with the Santa Fe Co., in this city and will go on the road as relief agent in the future.

If rain falls within the next ten days this dry spell will not have any appreciable effect on the wheat crop, if the season is favorable from now until harvest.

One bad thing about most of the Ellinwood young men who have been married during the past year is they do not seem to be in any hurry to produce catnip tea consumers.

It has been about six months since any considerable quantity of rain has fallen in this part of the country, and while the ground is dryer than it ought to be, it is not nearly as dry as one would suppose it would be.

John Klein and Sam Liesing, who have been with V. S. Musil in this city for some time have resigned their positions. Mr. Liesing will take charge of the freight depot soon. John Klein will leave for Colorado in a few days, where he intends to go into business with his brother.

### PAWNEE ROCK.

From the Leader.  
There is not a good vacant dwelling house in Pawnee Rock.

The Santa Fe station agents will be required to wear caps like the conductors and brakemen after May 1.

A stone crossing is being put down from the hotel to the opposite corner of the street. It will be the best crossing in town.

A Law and Order League to prosecute jointists has been organized at St. John. Joel Miller formerly postmaster here, is president.

Clean up around your yard and out buildings. A home with rubbish, old clothes, old lumber, etc., strewn around the yard does not look inviting, besides in them are the germs of disease.

An attempt was made last week to burn the city of St. John. Paper saturated with coal oil was placed near a building and set fire to. The paper was only partly burned when found and it is supposed the wind blew it out. There is no clue to the parties.

Prof. W. T. Clark and Miss Julia Miller close their third year as teachers of the Pawnee Rock schools this week. That they have given good satisfaction is the general opinion. Studies have been carried in the school that took extra work by the teachers and for which they received no compensation. In Miss Miller's department the scholars have made good advancement. Pawnee Rock parents will always have a good word for the retiring teachers.

### HOISINGTON.

From the Dispatch.  
Work has commenced on Mrs. T. E. Mallory's new residence.

Wm. Roberts and family have moved to the Bolinger farm south of town.

Joe Ewalt has fixed up his soda fountain and now has it in running order.

Henry Wildgen and D. J. Lewis are

each figuring on putting up fine residences in Hoisington.

H. J. Webber has completed his three business rooms on south Main street, will now put forth his energy to complete his brick block at the corner of First and Main.

A. L. Peugh's barber shop has been much improved by the addition of new furniture. Bob runs a good shop and keeps constantly adding to its appearance and convenience.

Monday we had all signs of rain—old woman signs. Heel flies made the cows dance a jig, gnats got in your mouth when you opened it, snakes crawling around, etc. Lots of signs but no rain.

From the Blade.  
J. W. Howard was appointed city marshal and does the star with considerable dignity.

It is said that fish is the greatest brain food. Then why do not our great statesmen come from the throngs of fishermen on the shores of the great lakes and seas?

Rev. E. S. McCartney, the new M. E. pastor at this place, is proving himself a live preacher and already the congregation and Sunday school and societies at his church are increasing to a noticeable degree.

The new city council at Great Bend has passed a new ordinance inviting jointkeepers to violate the laws and call around once a month or so and be fined forty dollars and costs, altogether probably about fifty dollars per month. The result will prove a thinning out of the number of joints and a revenue to the city.

### HEIZER SHOTS.

From "Remington."  
John Harris is reported on the sick list.

Heizer can now boast of a base ball club.

Bob Watts is wrestling with a very sore foot this week.

C. H. Lucas and C. F. Wilkins were up to Galatia last Sunday.

C. F. Wilkins was doing business at Hoisington Saturday last.

The Heizer band boys have joined the Kansas band association.

A. J. Harris and wife were calling on friends in Great Bend last Sunday.

The county commissioners were out visiting the Shaw bridge, Friday of last week.

W. B. Lucas and Fred Harper each closed an eight months term of school last Friday.

Robert Merton is building a large barn; J. W. Brown is doing the carpenter work.

Frank George and Joseph Woodburn were visiting with friends in McCracken last week.

Briggs Bros. contemplate building an addition to their already large store building this summer.

H. C. Merhoff and family attended the Wellenburg-Mohler wedding, at State Center, last Sunday.

John Coss-will, in a few days, commence the erection of a large dwelling on his farm south-west of Heizer. Say, don't that look a little suspicious, this early in the spring?

### A Rare Treat, May 16.

Prof. Wm. Goetz Band of 33 pieces heard here yesterday with Cook & Whitby's English Circus, was without exception the finest we have ever listened to. Their rendering of the classical overtures of "Wm. Tell" and "Semiramide" delighted thousands at the afternoon performance and in the evening the magnificent strains of Wagner's tremendous "Tannhauser" filled the immense canvas, packed to the ring bank, with enraptured auditors.

Prof. Muller, our Albany maestro, states that there is but one other band in America capable of playing this music at all, and that is Gilmore's. To musicians we have only to say that this matchless organization is composed of 5 clarinets, 2 flutes, 2 piccolos, 1 solo-tuba, 2 oboes, 5 cornets, 2 altos, 2 baritone, 2 saxophones, 2 French horns, 2 bassoons, 2 tubas, 1 double bass, snare and bass drum and bell player, and every man an artist. We have not space to mention the performance in detail, but will say it was a century ahead of any other circus that has ever visited Albany and easily made good its claim of being the "foremost show of all this world." A visit to it bestows a liberal education on its patrons.—Albany Enquirer.

POPULIST women and republican women are organizing clubs and societies to aid their two parties in the coming campaign of 1894 in behalf of female suffrage and prohibition. They see that the horrid men of their parties are playing hide-and-seek on those questions, and cannot trust them.

There is no two ways about it; the voters of Kansas who want to redeem our fair state from crankisms will have to rely upon the democratic party to do the redeeming.

## GENERAL ASSOCIATION NOTES.

What Happened to the Man Who Did Go to Great Bend.

BY REV. DR. DOWNEY, KANSAS CITY, MO.

The attractions set forth by the business committee and by the brethren of Great Bend are of no ordinary kind. The losses and the peril predicted by prophet Pinch for the minister who does not get up and go are of the most extraordinary kind. Yet many of the brethren in the state can go to Chicago at any time and hear both Dr. Taylor and Dr. Beaton at less expense and more comfort than they can make the trip to Great Bend. There are excellent opportunities to hear good singing and to have a good social time several miles and dollars this side of Great Bend. Despite the warning of prophet Pinch, some men, some ministers, would dare to stay at home, if there were only the excellent brethren from Chicago, the cultured chorus of Great Bend and the lavish hospitality of her good people as attractions. These are not to be despised or contemned. On the contrary every brother must feel deeply grateful to the enterprising pastor who has added such attractions to the general association meeting. But we do not meet for these things.

The reason for meeting once a year in General Association is that we may review the work of the year past, compare notes, confer with one another, plan for better work in the year to come. All speeches, essays, discussions are subordinate to this one practical aim. Every man—and man means woman as well—minister, or other servant of the church, ought to go to General Association with the purpose of contributing something for the benefit of our common work in the state the coming year, and also of bringing home something to aid the work of his own local church. Every one should go. That man is singularly endowed with conceit, who thinks that he can learn nothing by stepping out of his usual environment and having the experience of another very differently situated from himself.

Ministers and church members of the east need to meet those of the west, those who know only city life and its peculiar demands need to see the life of the small village and country place and try to appreciate its demands. The minister toiling in one of our large cities needs to know and be known by the ministers who in a frontier town or in a wide country field, sometimes feels the burden of his work as much as the overworked city pastor, who sympathizes with him and longs for his sympathy.

Every man who loves our churches in Kansas and is capable of seeing beyond his personal interests or those of his local church ought to be at the General Association at Great Bend, to give and receive council, to feel the larger fellowship, to take home into his work not only some suggestions of wiser methods but also some inspirations to put the better methods to use—an inspiration coming from the sense that he is not alone, but a part of a grand army.

Let us all be in the family gathering. Let us anticipate with pleasure the good talking, the cake and the song; but let us go to meet our brothers and sisters and get sympathy and help from one another, and new strength for the family work for another year.

If prophet Pinch be not a false prophet, as we devoutly hope that he will prove to be, if there be among us such a disgruntled brother as he pictures so miserably, I propose that some strong brother of the family come to General Association through his city and kindly but firmly seize him, bind him, load him on the cars, guard him until he is safely set down in Great Bend where the music has begun, then if he breaks away, let him go, he is incorrigible, he had better stay outside with the elder brother and do his grumbling alone; he would shadow the joy of all if he came in. Perhaps those who won't had better be left undisturbed in their misery, for the comfort of those who come of their own accord and singing, "When the General roll is called I'll be there, I'll be there." Let this be the prelude to the concert with which our family meeting begins.

KANSAS democrats ought to be informed pretty soon whether or not a democratic national administration will recognize democrats or the paid hirelings of democracy's enemy—the republican party.

Among other curiosities to be exhibited at the World's Fair an exchange suggests that one of the "Kansas Knights of Reciprocity" be captured—if the species is not entirely extinct—and placed on exhibition. Why not corral the "state organizer," who makes his home at Great Bend? He might be blacked up and his mouth exhibited in a side show as that of a Fejee Islander.

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